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Application of:

MERUELO et al.

Application No.: 08/829,558      Group Art Unit: 1645

Filed: March 28, 1997      Examiner: H. Bakalyar

For: VIRAL VECTORS HAVING      Attorney Docket No.: 8105-009  
CHIMERIC ENVELOPE  
PROTEINS CONTAINING THE  
IG-BINDING DOMAIN OF  
PROTEIN A

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.142  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 31, 1997,  
and in accordance with Rule 142 of the Rules of Practice,  
please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Entry of the remarks made herein is respectfully  
requested.

Response to Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required restriction of the claims to  
one of three inventions, as listed below:

- I. claims 1-10, 18-23, 27-31 drawn to viral  
vectors, complexes and packaging cells  
comprising a chimeric envelope protein-encoding  
sequence encoding a portion of Protein A,  
classified for example in class 536, subclass  
23.1;